Listing of Claims:

EXHIBIT A

Claim 1 (canceled).

Claim 2 (canceled).

Claim 3 (canceled).

Claim 4 (canceled).

Claim 5 (canceled).

Claim 6 (canceled).

Claim 7 (canceled).

Claim 8 (canceled).

Claim 9 (canceled).

Claim 10 (canceled).

Claim 11 (canceled).

Claim 12 (canceled).

Claim 13 (canceled).

Claim 14 (canceled).

Claim 15 (canceled).

Claim 16 (canceled).

Claim 17 (canceled).

Claim 18 (canceled).

Claim 19 (canceled).

Claim 20 (canceled).

Claim 21 (canceled).

Claim 22 (canceled).

Claim 23 (canceled).

Claim 24 (currently amended): An apparatus to electronically automate the sorting of chicken feet in the category of edible or inedible, comprising:

sensors including at least one photoelectric sensor and at least one inductive sensor for tracking the chicken bird in a shackle and chicken feet in a shackle;

a programmable logic card to track and store information received by said sensors;

a means to communicate between said sensors and said programmable logic card;

at least one inspector reject button communicating with said programmable logic card; and

a flag on at least two shackles. at least one flag attached to a shackle.

Claim 25 (currently amended): A process to electronically automate the sorting of chicken feet in the category of edible or inedible, comprising:

sensing, with at least one photoelectric sensor and at least one inductive sensor, a chicken bird in a shackle and chicken feet in a shackle;

using a programmable logic card to track and store information received by said sensors;

communicating by a communication means between said sensors and said programmable logic card;

employing at least one inspector reject button communicating with said programmable logic card; and

using a flag on at least two shackles. at least one flag attached to a shackle.